

(Note: All Bible Quotes Are Taken From The Original King James Version)

Subject: The Holy Ghost Sent Preacher:

During the days prior to Jesus' ministry, God sent a man to introduce Jesus who was John the Baptist. John the Baptist was prepared for his ministry by being filled with the Holy Ghost from his mother's womb. Today if a preacher is not filled with the Holy Ghost before he begins his ministry, it is not likely that God sent such a minister. Ministers who are not filled with the Holy Ghost are ministers of the carnal nature. Such ministers will represent the works of the flesh, allowing a life of sin to be an acceptable part of what they are preaching. Prior to John the Baptist being born, the angel Gabriel told John's father Zacharias that his son would be named John.

Now the word 'Baptist' was not a part of John's name. John was not called the Baptist because he belonged to a Baptist church. The word Baptist was added to John's name because he introduced baptism to the people. John taught a very important part of salvation for the people, which was for the people to repent. To repent means to turn from your sins. John preached to repent because the kingdom of heaven was at hand.

John taught that it was necessary for the people to repent of sins that would require a sacrifice that they could feel the effects of after making such sacrifices. This was referred to by John as fruits fit for repentance (St. Matthew 3:8). John later taught that if their repentance and baptism of water were sincere, then there would be one coming after him who would baptize them with the Holy Ghost and fire (St. Matthew 3:11). John's entire ministry was presented by the Holy Ghost, because John was filled with the Holy Ghost from his mother's womb.

So then, the Holy Ghost is using John to prepare the people for an additional work of the Holy Ghost, which will be given to the people in the ministry of Jesus Christ. John's ministry presented to the people an accurate and definite process to qualify on how to enter the kingdom of heaven. John's ministry and life were completely prepared by the Holy Ghost. When the Holy Ghost has presented a means by which the people can be saved, their salvation will be guaranteed if they follow the instructions given by the Holy Ghost sent preacher.

Subject: Are People Today Evil Like The People Of Noah's Day? (Genesis 6:5) (St. Luke 17:26-27):

God sends His prophets to warn the saved and the unsaved of what He is going to do. A preacher sent by God is a prophet. Such a preacher's messages will foretell the people about the future plan of God for the saved and unsaved. The preacher will be Holy Ghost taught, inspired, and motivated to speak for God. The preachers' messages will not come from his own mind, but the Holy Ghost will bring to his mind messages from the mind of God. His basic message to the saved will be to maintain their life of righteousness. His messages to the unsaved will be to turn from a life of wickedness. Listen to Ezekiel 18:24:

Verse 24 - But when the righteous turneth away from his righteousness, and committeth iniquity, and doeth according to all the abominations that the wicked man doeth, shall he live? All his righteousness that he hath done shall not be mentioned: in his trespass that he hath trespassed, and in his sin that he hath sinned, in them shall he die.

Now the message to the unsaved that God is sending in Ezekiel 18:21 reads as follows:

Verse 21 - But if the wicked will turn from all his sins that he hath committed, and keep all my statutes, and do that which is lawful and right, he shall surely live, he shall not die.

These are the basic messages to the saved and the unsaved that the God sent preacher will send to the people.

Through the ages, God has sent prophets to warn every generation that comes and goes. This is to warn them of what shall happen in the last days of the generation that is living on earth in the last days. When Noah was living on the earth, he was a prophet of God who was sent to warn the people of his generation that this was the last generation, and what would happen to those who continued to live in sin. Noah was perfect in his generation, and God said unto Noah, the end of all flesh is come before me: for the earth is filled with violence through them, and, behold, I will destroy them with the earth (Genesis 6:9-13).

God will always have a prophet on the scene to warn the people of what He is about to do (Genesis 6:5). During Noah's day, the people were evil continuously, more than they had ever been before. Today, when people are more

evil than they have been in past times, it is an indication that God is about to destroy the earth again. God will have a prophet on the scene to bring to the attention of the people, by using the scriptures to remind them of the conditions during past times when the people were evil like people are today (St. Luke 17:26).

Subject: The God-Sent Preacher's Calling Must Be Initiated By The Holy Ghost:

John the Baptist was the first gospel preacher. John was under the direction and leadership of the Holy Ghost. John is the example of a God sent preacher. Any preacher who is not sent to preach after the example, and means by which John was taught and sent is a false preacher. Listen to how John was prepared to be sent by God in St. Luke 1:13-15:

Verse 13 - But the angel said unto him, Fear not, Zacharias:
for thy prayer is heard; and thy wife Elisabeth shall
bear thee a son, and thou shalt call his name John.

Now the God sent preacher is prepared by God before his birth. Such a preacher is born for the purpose of preaching the gospel. There must be some point and time in the God sent preacher's life that the Holy Ghost must enter and began to prepare him to be qualified to preach the gospel. In John's case, the Holy Ghost began to prepare him when he was in his mother's womb.

Verse 14 - And thou shalt have joy and gladness; and many
shall rejoice at his birth.

Verse 15 - For he shall be great in the sight of the Lord, and
shall drink neither wine nor strong drink; and
he shall be filled with the Holy Ghost, even from
his mother's womb.

When a preacher is filled with the Holy Ghost, he is not filled with alcoholic beverages. The Holy Ghost and liquor, beer, and wine do not occupy a person's life at the same time. Now the Holy Ghost may have different times of entering the God sent preacher's life, but it will be the major influence, teacher, and director of the God sent preacher.

Subject: The Preacher Must Warn The People And The Ruler Of The Nation:

Rulers of nations of the world can only get help from God to discipline and control the people of their nation when they rule their nation in righteousness. When rulers fail to rule in righteousness, their subjects will become wicked. The next alternative will be for a God sent religious leader to warn the ruler and the people of the nation that if they don't resort to the righteousness of God, that God will then punish the ruler for their wickedness, and the people for following and supporting the ruler.

The God sent preacher is God's watchman who should be in personal contact with the people of the community of which he is ministering. He should know their relationship with God, and show them the danger of their relationship being unacceptable to God. If the preacher fails to show the people the error of their ways, and become slothful in his ministry, such a preacher will experience the same destruction and punishment that the people and the ruler will experience. Listen to Ezekiel 3:17-19:

Verse 17 - Son of man, I have made thee a watchman unto the house of Israel: therefore hear the word at my mouth, and give them warning from me.

Verse 18 - When I say unto the wicked, Thou shalt surely die; and thou givest him not warning, nor speakest to warn the wicked from his wicked way, to save his life; the same wicked man shall die in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at thine hand.

Verse 19 - Yet if thou warn the wicked, and he turn not from his wickedness, nor from his wicked way, he shall die in his iniquity; but thou has delivered thy soul.